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Applicant(s): **AHLFORS, U. *et al.***

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FOR DISTRIBUTION OF  
BANDWIDTH IN A SWITCH**

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**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

**BOX PATENT APPLICATION**

Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Please amend the application as follows:

**IN THE SPECIFICATION:**

- Page 1, line 24, delete the second occurrence of "is".
- Page 4, line 6, delete "were" and insert therefor --where--.
- Page 5, line 1, after "is used", insert --,--.
- Page 7, line 12, delete "is" and insert therefor --in--;
- line 15, delete "accept" and insert therefor --accepts--; and
- line 27, delete "." and insert therefor --,--.
- Page 8, line 5, delete "other" and insert therefor --others--; and
- line 35, after the terms "short term", insert therefor --,--.
- Page 9, line 13, after "class" insert --has--.